

February 21, 2017

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114
Attention: Glenn Meeks

Sent via email to: Glenn.Meeks@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Comments on Central Valley Salt and Nitrate Management Plan (SNMP)

Dear Mr. Meeks:

As a public water and wastewater agency, the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) appreciates the efforts the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) is making to develop comprehensive solutions to issues associated with the accumulation of salts and nutrients in the Central Valley. EBMUD wishes to express support for the goals set forth in the SNMP and is ready to engage in the CV-SALTS process to potentially be part of the solution. More specifically, EBMUD is interested to participate in research and analytical activities to evaluate the long-term feasibility of accepting brine at its wastewater treatment facility via pipeline.

In the near term, EBMUD can help by accepting briny wastewaters from food processors, dairies/creameries, wastewater treatment plants, reverse osmosis facilities, and others located in the Central Valley using its existing trucked waste service. In fiscal year 2016, EBMUD received over 40 million gallons of brine waste from the Central Valley that was hauled and discharged from trucks. More information about EBMUD's trucked waste program may be found here:
<http://www.ebmud.com/wastewater/commercial-waste/trucked-waste/>

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Plan. If you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 287-1608 or jackie.zipkin@ebmud.com.

Sincerely,



Jacqueline T. Zipkin
Manager of Environmental Services
East Bay Municipal Utility District